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THE CASE OF THE *Cow-keepers, within the Weekly Bills of Mortality, in Relation to the* BILL *now Depending before this Honourable Houſe,* For the better Regulating Select Veſtries.

THAT it is too well known, how the Poors Rates have increaſed of late Years, and what very great Loſſes the *Cow-keepers* have lately ſuſtained; Indeed they have ſuffered ſo much, that they wou'd inevitably been Ruined, had not His MAJESTY been Graciouſly Pleaſed to have been Bountiful to them.

THAT by the *Bill* now Depending, it is Humbly Conceiv'd, That *all Houſes, Lands, and Perſonal Eſtates, will be Charged with an equal Pound Rate,* which will be a very heavy Burthen, not upon the Land-Owners, but upon the *Land-Holders* (eſpecially the *Cow-keepers*) within the Weekly Bills of Mortality; and if the *Cow-keepers* are made liable to this Charge, they will not be able to follow their Imployments, ſo abſolutely neceſſary for the Supplying the Cities of *London, Weſtminſter,* Borough of *Southwark,* and Suburbs thereof; For the Rent of ſuch Land, as lies within the Weekly Bills of Mortality, is very high, and the moſt Conſiderable Return, a *Tenant* or *Land-Holder* can make from ſuch Land, is by the Stock kept thereupon; ſo 'tis Humbly Hop'd, That Stock upon Land ſhall be Exempted out of the preſent *Bill* Depending, the Legiſlator having thought fit *to Exempt all Stock upon Land, from the Tax laid upon Perſonal Eſtates, by Virtue of the ſeveral Acts paſt, for Raiſing Money by a Land-Tax,* &c.

THAT ſince all the Land, or the greateſt Part of it, within the Weekly Bills of Mortality, is generally held by long Leaſes, from the Land-Owners, the *Tenants* will be obliged to Pay the *Pound Rate,* ſo intended to be laid upon Land, whereby they will Pay almoſt a double Tax; which the ſeveral Pariſhes muſt unavoidably lay upon the *Cow-keepers,* unleſs Proviſion be made in the *Bill,* That the Land may bear only a Proportion, of Two Third Parts to the Charge upon Houſes; which has been Practiſed for ſeveral Years, in ſuch Pariſhes, where a Pound Rate has been laid, for Raiſing the Poors Rates.

IT is Humbly Pray'd, That this Honourable Houſe will be pleaſed to take into Conſideration the great Loſſes the COW-KEEPERS *have ſuſtained, and the many Debts they have incurred by Reaſon thereof, and what Hardſhips they will be under, if the* Bill *aforeſaid ſhou'd Paſs, as it is now drawn, and to give them ſuch Relief, as to Your* Honours *ſhall ſeem Reaſonable.*

AND they will ever Pray, &c.

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